

# SENATE . . . . . No. 391

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

**Cynthia Stone Creem**

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act establishing a 0% interest program for the state revolving loan fund for water and sewer projects and establishing 3:1 leveraging for such projects.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Cynthia Stone Creem	First Middlesex and Norfolk
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Patricia D. Jehlen	Second Middlesex
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester
Karen E. Spilka	Second Middlesex and Norfolk
Susan C. Fargo	Third Middlesex
Colleen M. Garry	36th Middlesex
Richard J. Ross	9th Norfolk
Jennifer M. Callahan	18th Worcester
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. S00497 OF 2007-2008.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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AN ACT ESTABLISHING A 0% INTEREST PROGRAM FOR THE STATE REVOLVING LOAN  
FUND FOR WATER AND SEWER PROJECTS AND ESTABLISHING 3:1 LEVERAGING FOR  
SUCH PROJECTS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority  
of the same, as follows:*

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 159 of the Acts of 2000 is hereby amended by striking out section  
2   57, section 58, section 371 and section 372.

3           SECTION 2. Chapter 29C of the general laws as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition,  
4   is hereby amended by inserting after section 18 the following section: -

5   Section 19. The water pollution abatement trust shall leverage funds in the trust for  
6   disbursement to finance projects authorized pursuant to this chapter on the basis of a three-to-one  
7   ratio. If in the opinion of the state treasurer, such increased leveraging is not feasible, the  
8   provisions of this section shall not apply.

9           SECTION 3. Section 6 of Chapter 29C of the general laws as appearing in the 2004  
10 Official Edition, is hereby amended in the second paragraph by deleting the third sentence and  
11 inserting in place thereof the following sentence: -

12       “Notwithstanding the forgoing but subject to the limit on contract assistance provided in this  
13 section, all permanent loans and other forms of financial assistance made by the trust to finance  
14 the costs of water pollution abatement projects on the departments intended use plan for calendar  
15 year 2011 and any subsequent calendar year shall provide for a subsidy or other assistance on the  
16 payment of debt service thereon such that such loans and other forms of financial assistance shall  
17 be the financial equivalent of a loan made at an interest equal to zero per cent.”

18           SECTION 4. Subsection (g) of section 18 of said Chapter 29C of the general laws as  
19 appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by deleting the second sentence and  
20 inserting in place thereof the following sentence: -

21       “Notwithstanding the forgoing but subject to the limit on contract assistance provided in this  
22 section, all permanent loans and other forms of financial assistance made by the trust to finance  
23 the costs of drinking water projects on the departments intended use plan for calendar year 2011  
24 and any subsequent calendar year shall provide for a subsidy or other assistance on the payment  
25 of debt service thereon such that such loans and other forms of financial assistance shall be the  
26 financial equivalent of a loan made at an interest rate equal to zero per cent.”